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SUBJECT: EA/PRCM WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

1. CODEL WOLFF (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE DELEGATION
TO THE PRC LED BY CONGRESSMAN WOLFF WILL DEPART WASHINGTON
JUNE 29. WOLFF'S STAFF IS SETTING UP A SERIES OF BRIEF-
INGS BY CIA, DIA, AGRICULTURE, ICA, AND OTHERS AND HAS
ASKED THAT STATE PROVIDE THE LAST POLICY-ORIENTED BRIEFING,
WHICH IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR LATE THE AFTERNOON OF
JUNE 26. WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE
BRIEFING AND HAVE HAD IT MARKED ON YOUR CALENDAR.

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2. OTHER CODELS (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

MIKE OKSENBERG TELLS ME THAT HE HAS JUST LEARNED THROUGH
FRANK MOORE'S OFFICE, THAT SENATOR BYRD; WHO A MONTH AGO
SAID HE WANTED TO LEAD A CODEL TO THE PRC IN NOVEMBER, HAS
MORE RECENTLY APPROACHED OTHER SENATORS ABOUT GOING IN
JULY. MIKE IS TRYING TO STRAIGHTEN THIS OUT WITH MOORE.

WE ARE STILL STYMIED, BECAUSE OF THE MOORE-BYRD INVOLVE-

MENT, FROM PROPOSING TO THE CHINESE WITH CONFIDENCE TWO CODELS, INCLUDING THE SLACK SUBCOMMITTEE, FOR NOVEMBER.

3. AMERICAN WOMEN VOLLEYBALLERS OFF TO CHINA
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THE US WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM LEFT THE US THIS WEEK AND WILL ENTER THE PRC JUNE 13. INITIALLY, THE CHINESE BALKED AT ISSUING A VISA TO THE ISRAELI-CITIZEN COACH OF THE TEAM AND, DURING DISCUSSIONS ON THIS AND OTHER MATTERS, THE US MEN'S TEAM DECIDED TO CANCEL THEIR CHINA TRIP. IN THE END, THE CHINESE AGREED TO ISSUE THE COACH A VISA IN HIS RESIDENT ALIEN REENTRY PERMIT. UNFORTU- NATELY, THE COACH OF THE MEN'S TEAM HAD ALREADY TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HIS TEAM WOULD NOT GO TO CHINA BECAUSE OF CHINESE REFUSAL TO ISSUE THE WOMEN'S COACH A VISA.

PRCLO PROTESTED TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE WHICH TRIED TO CLARIFY THE SITUATION TO THE PRESS. WE BELIEVE THE ISSUE HAS BEEN RESOLVED AS SATISFACTORILY AS POSSIBLE.

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